

REPUBLICANS SEEK

HARMONY IN MARYLAND

McComas and Wachter May Step Down and Out.

LOWNDES AS COMMITTEEMAN

Four Delegates-at-Large to Be Taken From First, Second, Fifth, and Sixth Districts.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 19.—The Republican leaders do not attach much importance to the rumor coming from Washington to the effect that former Gov. Lloyd Lowndes may be selected as chairman of the Republican National Committee.

It is said, though, that there is a strong probability that Mr. Lowndes may be made the member of the committee from Maryland to succeed Senator Louis E. McComas. Senator McComas is quoted as having said three months ago that he was perfectly willing to give up his place on the committee, and it is said that his attitude in this regard has facilitated the plans which are being discussed for party harmony and rehabilitation.

McComas' Retirement.

The plans, as tentatively agreed upon at Washington during the recent session of the national committee, it is understood, have gone so far as to include the retirement of Senator McComas and the substitution of Mr. Lowndes in his place as national committeeman, and the distribution of the four delegates-at-large to the First, Second, Fifth, and Sixth Congress districts, and one from Baltimore city.

It is asserted that the men to be chosen have not been definitely decided upon, but it seems pretty well understood that Representative Jackson will be taken from the First district, and S. A. Williams from the Second district. Representative Mudd will probably represent the Fifth district, but the city man has not been selected. There will also be four alternates-at-large and twelve district delegates, with an equal number of alternates.

Chances for Harmony.

It is asserted by organization Republicans that the proposed elimination of both Senator McComas and Representative Wachter in the above plan will much improve the chances for harmony, and it is predicted that the whole delegation will be selected almost, if not entirely, without contest.

A special dispatch from Washington this afternoon says:

"Representative Sydney E. Mudd, who is confined to his home in La Plata by illness, publishes in his paper, the 'Marlboro Times,' today a confirmation of the story recently published to the effect that the election of delegates to the Republican national convention is the basis upon which harmony is sought to be restored between the Mudd and McComas factions of the Republican party.

"Among other things, the 'Times' says: 'There have been some recent conferences between those who six months ago were bitterly embroiled against each other, with a view toward the desired harmony in reference to this election of delegates to the national convention, and we think there is a strong likelihood of success. At any rate we hope so.'

SANTO DOMINGO WOULD HAVE A PROTECTORATE

Consul Galvan's Father Says United States Should Put an End to Revolutions.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—According to statements made here today, Dr. M. J. Galvan, father of the consul in this city, the natives of the island are anxious to have the United States establish a protectorate over them and restore stability of government.

"What the American Government ought to do," said Senator Galvan, "is to formally recognize the first well-organized government that gains the power in my country, and insist that until another election takes place no revolutionary usurpations shall be countenanced."

"I believe this would do more to keep peace in Santo Domingo than anything short of actual annexation."

In regard to the reported success of Jimenez's forces at Puerto Plata and Santiago de los Caballeros, he said that Jimenez was not a fighter, and that he did not believe his efforts to unseat Morales would be successful.

"The people in the northern part of the republic like Jimenez," he said, "but he is not at all popular with the majority of Santo Domingans. He expected to get the presidency after Wos y Gil left, but the Morales faction was too powerful. Jimenez, while not a strong man, is one of the least objectionable of the presidential aspirants, and might be a good thing for Santo Domingo if he succeeded."

The case of the San Domingan Improvement Company of New York in its suit against the republic he expected would be decided in about two months.

FAMILIES IN PERIL.

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—The Victoria Apartment Building, Forty-ninth Street and Calumet Avenue, one of the filmy affairs built during the World's Fair, was destroyed by fire last night. The building was occupied by sixty families, many of whom had no other homes, and a panic followed the alarm of fire.

ONE GOOD REASON.

There was a visitor at the school, and the children were being given an opportunity to show off. The visitor's thoughts evidently ran in a religious turn, for he questioned the children first upon their knowledge of the Bible. "And where was the infant Jesus born?" he asked, and a chorus of voices answered immediately, "In a manger." "And why was he born in a manger?" was the next query.

There was a moment's silence, and then a little Scotch boy in the back seat piped up shrilly, "Because his mother was there." And the reply was too obviously correct to admit of any further questioning on that subject at least.—Brooklyn Eagle

SECRETARY SHAW'S

TALK TO GRADUATES

Tells Peirce Students What Education Is.

SHOULD NOT WORK FOR HIRE

"Life of Employe But Drudgery and Eight Hours Per Day, If You Can Stand It."

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19.—Leslie M. Shaw, Secretary of the Treasury, in an address to the graduates of the thirty-eighth class of the Peirce School, of Philadelphia, in the Academy of Music, said:

"If I were to say that no uneducated man ever succeeds, it would be necessary to define what I meant by education. Men succeed who can neither read nor write, but they do not succeed without education. Education does consist in simply knowing certain facts. Facts are cold. Education is mental warmth."

"If I were to criticize modern educational processes as pursued in the schools, I would say that the average school, academy, and college is taught too many granaries and not enough grist mills. Education is a graining process as distinguished from a graining process. An educated man is able to take facts, like grain, and grind them, bolt them, leave them, knead them, and bake them. Then he has something possessing a market value."

Never Work for Hire.

"There is little in life but drudgery, and yet I think successful men are seldom conscious of doing drudgery. If you take my advice, you will never work for hire. If you work for hire, you will never rise higher. If you work for hire, life will have little else for you but drudgery, and eight hours per day—ten hours per day at the most—is all that you can stand and keep your health."

"But if you work for the accomplishment of the thing which you are employed to do, you can work sixteen or eighteen hours a day, and life will be full of sunshine and of song. God implanted in the human mind a desire to do things. And among the abiding pleasures of life is the inspiration of results wrought by what the overburdened, but which never proves distasteful to the performer, for his mind is fixed on the result, and not on the steps leading thereto."

Better on Top Story.

"If asked to offer advice on the subject, I should recommend that you accept a position at the foot of a ladder entering at least two or three stories. This will afford you an opportunity to do things which are more honorable on the top story than in the basement, but it is a little more desirable, and the pay is better. If you do your work at the foot of the ladder better than any one else, you will have ready access to the story above. But don't try to get second story pay for first story work."

"Finally, what is success? I say to you that, whether the position be high or low, whether responsibilities be many or few, he who fills the measure to the brim, be the measure large or small, achieves success."

FOUR LEAPED TO DEATH; EIGHTEEN INJURED

Frightful Scenes at Burning of College for Negro Girls in Nashville.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 19.—Four persons are known to have been killed and eighteen injured, twelve of them fatally, in a fire here last night which consumed the Central Tennessee College for Young Negro Women, a department of Walden University. It is thought that the ruins may contain the bodies of other victims. The property loss is estimated at \$25,000.

Three dead bodies have been removed from under the windows, where they fell. Two are those of Mattie Lee Moore and Stella Edison. The third has not been identified.

The fire broke out about 11 o'clock in the top of the building, which was four stories high, and without fire escapes. It was occupied by about sixty students, who were asleep when the alarm was given. The wildest panic ensued, the women and girls rushing screaming to the windows, from which they jumped in droves—the dead and injured lying in heaps where they fell, to be fallen upon by those following them from the flaming windows.

Every ambulance in the city was soon on the scene, and the injured were hurried to hospitals.

When the flames were first discovered they seemed to envelop the building, and it is considered almost certain that some of the terrorized occupants were overcome by smoke before reaching the windows.

EDWARD AND ALEXANDRA WILL VISIT IRELAND

DUBLIN, Dec. 19.—The "Evening Herald" announces on good authority that King Edward and Queen Alexandra will visit Ireland in the Punchestown racing week and attend the races. They will not travel in state.

MAY AFFECT 200,000 MINERS.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 19.—The Jamison Coal Company, which operates three large mines in the Irwin field and ships from points near Greensburg to Pittsburgh markets, has posted notices in its mines to the effect that the wages of all miners will be reduced 10 cents a ton. This may affect 200,000 miners in this region.

A CORPSE PARTY IN MAINE.

It is many years since North Vassalboro was visited with a liquor agency, perhaps thirty years. It was then kept by Dr. Roberts. A corpse in the village cemetery had to be removed to another resting place. Those entrusted with the job felt disinclined to undertake the task without some stimulant, so going to the agency the corpse's representative asked for a quart of whiskey, which was no sooner asked for than delivered. As the gentleman was about to take his leave, the agent be thought himself to ask for what purpose he wanted such a large amount, and was told it was to move a corpse. Waterville (Me.) Mail.

WASHINGTON ROBED

IN MANTLE OF WHITE

Snow's Fall Covers City, But Rapidly Melts Away—Cold Spell Broken.

Snow, damp and clammy, began to fall in Washington last night, but while the precipitation was heavy for awhile, it melted too rapidly for comfort. The temperature fell with the snow, and the forecast was that the snow would take off its disguise before morning and appear as rain.

The coming of the snow is taken as the breaking of the cold weather that has brought out the car muffs all along the Atlantic coast and in the West. On Friday it was predicted that the backbone of the cold wave would be broken yesterday, and the prediction came true. By this morning the oldest inhabitant will have to find some other way of beginning the conversation than by saying "It was a heap colder than this the night Cy Perkins' barn was set afire right after he came from the army." In fact, it will be so warm, say the weather sharks, that it will break out tonight new reporters won't have a chance to give thrilling pen pictures of the "ice-clad fire jaddies."

Skating has been excellent around Washington for several days. The ice has been in good condition because of the absence of rain or snow to roughen the surface, and hundreds of enthusiasts have enjoyed the sport. It is thought the snow of last night will stop the sport for a while, even if the warm wave does not melt the ice.

Ice has been heavy enough in the river to be somewhat troublesome, but its formation in the Potomac has been broken up by the constant winds. On the Chesapeake Bay, there has been some ice, but not enough to do any harm. There was a skim well out into the Patuxent yesterday morning, but it soon disappeared.

SENATOR DIETRICH PLEADS NOT GUILTY

Arraigned in Court on Indictments Recently Found.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 19.—United States Senator Charles H. Dietrich, accompanied by Gen. John C. Cowin, his attorney, appeared here today morning in the United States circuit court here today and was arraigned on the indictments returned against him on November 16 and December 17.

To the indictment charging him with profiting by leasing a postoffice building to the Government, Senator Dietrich pleaded not guilty, and to that charging him with conspiracy and bribery he refused to plead.

In the latter count, which were those returned on November 16, in which he is charged jointly with Postmaster Jacob Fisher, of Hastings, with conspiracy and bribery, Dietrich was formally appointed, General Cowin informed the court that the defendant would attack the sufficiency of the indictment.

Trial on the conspiracy and bribery indictments was set for January 4. Assistant District Attorney R. J. Sweeney objected to that date, and asked for four weeks in which to prepare the Government's case. No time was set for trying Senator Dietrich on the indictments returned December 17, charging him with profiting by leasing a building to the Government.

PENNYPACKER ORDERS A SPECIAL ELECTION

HARRISBURG, Pa., Dec. 19.—Governor Pennyacker today issued a writ for a special election in the Third Philadelphia district, on the third Tuesday in February, for a Representative to succeed the late Representative Burk.

HON ALBERT DAGGETT DEAD. RUMFORD FALLS, Me., Dec. 19.—The Hon. Albert Daggett, United States postal card contractor and a well-known New York State politician, died here today.

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Lots of Heroes.

Sillicus—Have you noticed that most heroes are married men?

Cynicus—Sir, every married man is a hero.—New York.

BARDGETT TO JOIN WALTHOUR.

Walter Bardgett, of Buffalo, and not E. F. Root, secured the contract with Reese Brothers, of Paris, to race in Europe during the coming season. Bardgett yesterday signed the contract and will leave early in the new year for France. Bardgett has been riding with varying success for two years as a professional. It was with the Reese Bros. that Robbie Walthour closed his contract for his European trip next year.

Welcome News to Him.

Mamma—Just look at your clothes! Oh, you careless boy! There's no use talking to you. Tommy—Now, that's real sensible, ma. Why didn't you think of that long ago?—Philadelphia Press.

BUYING A SON-IN-LAW.

If the Old Testament "day" was 1,000 years, why not so translate it? Sometimes a rabbi speaks of a day as one year. A popular Hebrew minister of the east side tells this story: In a little town in Poland lived a widow who had an only child, a daughter, for whom she desired a husband, as the girl was no longer of tender years. She succeeded in interesting a poor Jewish student who was studying in the synagogue to become a rabbi. He decided to desert the ranks of celibacy after the respective mother-in-law had promised to provide for him seven years of "rest," which means free board, lodging, clothing, etc. This custom exists today among European Jews. The widow was delighted with her purchase, because it was considered an honor to have a son-in-law possessed of great Talmudic learning. On the eighth day after the wedding the

widow changed her mind, informing her son-in-law that he must hustle for himself. She added that she had provided him with seven days' living gratis, and had therefore kept her promise, as she regarded one day as one year. The young man went to the synagogue that day as usual, and did a lot of thinking. When three days had passed he used for divorce on the ground that his wife had borne him no children. The rabbi before whom the case was brought appeared to be greatly shocked. The student called his attention to a law in the Talmud which says that if a man has lived with his wife ten years and she bears no children in that period he has suitable ground for divorce. Now, as he had lived with his wife ten days and she had no children, as he considered each day as one year, he was entitled to be free. The widow was so struck with the cleverness of her son-in-law that she kept her original promise and paid all the bills.—New York Press.